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Applicant: Kyoko MATSUMOTO Art Unit: 3626

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For: Method for Selecting Cosmetics

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98

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Sir:

In compliance with the dictates of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant hereby submits an Information Disclosure Statement.

The attached translation of JP 10-075823 is a machine translation of a Japanese Patent Publication. '823 is a publication of JP 08-235528, a Japanese Patent Application. The subject matter of this patent application demonstrates how Applicant uses the words in this application in other applications.

In a previous office papers entitled "Requirement for Information Under 37 CFR § 1.105, the Examiner requested information about prior art or prior art known to the Shiseido Company, Ltd. Applicant has continued to search for such information even at this late date. Applicant found that the copy

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of The Daily Yomiuri (sent to the undersigned by the Examiner) had never been seen by Shiseido or its personnel. There was no information regarding this paper at Shiseido when the article was received last year.

With respect to the co-inventors, two of the inventors no longer work for Shiseido. The last inventor still employed by Shiseido has no further information. Still further, the last inventor does not have any research information which would predate September 21, 1999, which is well after the date of June 30, 1998 of the article from The Daily Yomiuri found by the Examiner.

In this application, Applicant has used the descriptive words "cute", "mature", "sharp" and "soft" because they are generally used by Shiseido in its work and refer to "short length of face", "long length of face", "sharp outline of face" and "soft outline of face", respectively.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider this reference and indicate such consideration by enclosing an appropriately initialled copy of the enclosed form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the Patent Office.

In accordance with Section 1.17(p) the requisite filing fee for this Information Disclosure Statement, in the amount of \$180.00 is attached hereto. (for filing a European Search Report not received within three month time period and filed with Petition)

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2816. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

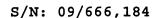
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